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**REPUBLIC OF KENYA**  
**TWELFTH PARLIAMENT- (FIFTH SESSION)**  
**THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**  
**MESSAGES**

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**MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT**  
*(No. 12 of 2021)*

**ON NOMINATION OF PERSONS FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHAIRPERSON OF  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION; AND MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL  
GENDER AND EQUALITY COMMISSION**

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**Honourable Members,**

Pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order No. 42, I wish to convey the following two Messages from His Excellency The President relating to nomination of persons for appointment to the Offices of the Chairperson of the Public Service Commission and Members of the National Gender and Equality Commission, respectively.

In the First Message, H.E. The President conveys that, in exercise of powers conferred on him by Article 233(2) of the Constitution, Paragraph 3 of the First Schedule to the Public Service Commission Act (Act No. 10 of 2017), as read together with sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, 2011, he nominates **Amb. Anthony Mwaniki Muchiri** for appointment as the Chairperson of the Public Service Commission.

In the Second Message, **Honourable Members**, H.E. The President conveys that, in exercise of powers conferred on him by Article 250(2)(b) of the Constitution and section 11(6) of the National Gender and Equality Commission Act, (Act No. 15 of 2011), as read together with sections 3 and 5 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, (Act No. 33 of 2011), he nominates **Ms. Caroline Naikena Lentupuru** and **Mr. Thomas Okoth Koyier** for appointment to the Office of a Member of the National Gender & Equality Commission.

**Honourable Members**, H.E. The President therefore seeks the approval of this House of the nominees for appointment to the aforementioned state offices.

**Honourable Members**, Standing Order 45 requires that, upon receipt of notification of nomination for appointment, such nomination shall stand committed to the relevant Departmental Committee of the House for consideration. In this regard, pursuant to the provisions of this Standing Order therefore and paragraph (3) of Standing Order 42 (*Messages from the President*), I hereby refer the Message relating to appointment of persons to the National Gender & Equality Commission to the Departmental Committee on Labour and Social Welfare to undertake the necessary approval hearings. Similarly, I also refer the nomination of the Chairperson of the Public Service Commission to the Departmental Committee on Administration and National Security, to also undertake the necessary approval hearings.

**Honourable Members**, whereas the Public Service Commission Act, 2017 and the National Gender and Equality Commission Act, 2011, provide a lesser period within which the House is to consider the respective nominees, section 8 of the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, (Act No. 33 of 2011), requires the National Assembly to undertake the exercise within twenty-eight (28) days.

In this regard, the Committees should undertake approval hearings and submit their report within the Twenty-Eight day period provided for in the Public Appointments (Parliamentary Approval) Act, (Act No. 33 of 2011), being the most recent amendment made by Parliament with respect to the general period of vetting of state appointees.

Honourable Members, in view of the above, I wish to guide the two Departmental Committees and the House as follows-

- (i) That the Committees should notify the nominee and the general public of the time and place for holding the approval hearings, in good time. The notification should therefore be made tomorrow, **Friday, November 26, 2021**; and,
- (ii) That the Committees should thereafter commence the necessary approval hearings and submit their respective reports to the House within the statutory timelines.

To this end **Honourable Members**, noting that the House will proceed on its long recess from Friday, December 3, 2021 in accordance with its published Calendar for the Regular Sessions, Committees should expeditiously notify the nominees and the general public of the respective times and places for holding the approval hearings and thereafter, upon conclusion of the hearings and adoption of their Reports, submit the same to the Speaker to enable the House consider the matter within the statutory timelines.

**I thank you!**

**THE HON. ROSALINDA SOIPAN, CBS, MP**  
**FIRST CHAIRPERSON OF COMMITTEES**  
**FOR: THE SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**  
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